

Information for Release	6/15/2012

Date of the notification to CPS: 3/23/2012

**Near Fatality** 

The date the child suffered the near fatality: 3/22/2012

Child's name: Jonathan

Age at time of incident: 3 Months

Perpetrator(s): Benjamin Shaw

Age: 25 years

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): At the time of the incident, the child and perpetrator were living in Phoenix, Arizona.

## A. Circumstances of the fatality or near fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:

On or about March 22, 2012, Jonathan was taken to the hospital when he began seizing. Jonathan was found to have a huge hematoma on the left side of his head pushing to the right side of his head. The father was arrested for child abuse charges.

B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian\*:

CPS has not received any prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Jonathan by Benjamin Shaw.

1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:

CPS is investigating the allegations through a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

2. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

Following an assessment of child safety, Jonathan's sibling was placed in foster care.

3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

In-home intensive services will be provided to the children and family.

<sup>\*</sup>Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

Information, if any, regarding other family or household members and the child or the alleged perpetrator is not posted on the Web site. Calls to the Child Abuse Hotline that do not meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.